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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Approving authority name	State Water Control Board	
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	9 VAC 25-630	
Regulation title	Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Permit General Permit Regulation for Poultry Waste Management	
Action title	Amendment to Conform to Chapter 78 of the 2005 Acts of Assembly	
Final agency action date	June 28, 2005	
Document preparation date	September 7, 2005	

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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

This permit regulation governs authorization to manage pollutants from confined poultry feeding operations, and HB 1971 made changes to the requirements by which nutrient management plans (NMPs) are developed. Prior to this Act of Assembly, §62.1-44.17:1.1 C.2.d. of the Code of Virginia required that NMPs specify phosphorus application rates that do not exceed the greater of crop nutrient needs or crop nutrient removal. The Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation is amending the nutrient management training and certification regulations to include a phosphorus index as an alternate method to determine phosphorus application rates, and HB 1971 requires that all NMPs developed for confined poultry feeding operations follow the revised criteria by October 31, 2005, or the effective date of the revised regulation, whichever is later.

Statement of final agency action

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Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.

The State Water Control Board adopted the amendments to the Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) General Permit for Poultry Waste Management (9 VAC 25-630) on June 28, 2005.

Family impact

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